

ARDINGLY PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of an extraordinary meeting of Ardingly Parish Council held on Monday, 14 November 2011 in the Reading Room at Hapstead Hall from 8.00pm. (Ref: LGA 1972, Sch.12, paras. 9 & 25)

MINUTES

Present:	Mr G Ruse (Chair) Mr M Brixey Ms S Chapman Mr T Clement Mrs P Dennis Mr K Monk	Mr W Meldrum Mrs F Rocks Mr D Walker In Attendance: Mrs A Rumble (Clerk) 5 Members of Public
153.	To accept apologies for absence. Mr N Moorey, Mrs R Chalk	
	Declarations of Interests Item 154 – Ms Chapman declared an interest.	
154.	To discuss and ratify an information sheet to be distributed to the village regarding planning applications for residential developments.	
	<p>The Chair welcomed members of the public to the meeting. A copy of the information sheet (including a questionnaire) was circulated to Councillors and the public. Councillors reviewed the information sheet and questionnaire prior to distribution. The following consequential amendments were APPROVED:</p> <p><u>Summary:</u> Bullet point 2 – sentence “If granted planning permission, further detailed applications will be submitted in due course that will detail the precise number of houses, the road layout and design of houses” to read, “If planning consent is granted, in order to implement the scheme, detailed planning applications will have to be submitted that will detail the precise number of houses and design of houses.” Next sentence delete the words “and layout” Bullet point 3 – paragraph ‘The proposal at Butcher’s Field is an “Outline planning application for 35 dwellings, a new scout hut with associated new access, landscaping and parking. Matters of layout and access to be dealt with at outline stage”. The site is owned by a villager, Mr Ivan Yeatman.’ To read, “The proposal at Butcher’s Field is an outline planning application for 35 dwellings, land for a new scout hut with associated new access, landscaping and parking. The site is owned by a villager, Mr Ivan Yeatman.”</p> <p><u>Planning Background:</u> Bullet Point 1 – last sentence “The Parish Council, with village backing, supported the scale of growth.” To read, The Parish Council, in consultation with the village, supported this scale of growth.” Bullet Point 5 – “It is expected that the 2004 SE Regional Plan will be repealed in spring 2012.” To read, “It is anticipated that the 2004 SE Regional Plan</p> <p><u>What happens next?</u> Bullet Point 3 – second sentence “Refuse planning permission on both sides.” To read, “Refuse outline planning consent on both sites.”</p> <p>It was AGREED that the information sheet (including questionnaire), with</p>	

	<p>amendments, will be sent to all households within the village for completion and returned for analysis.</p> <p>During discussion, Councillors agreed that it was important for the public to understand that if outline planning consent was granted, in order to implement the scheme, a detailed planning application will have to be submitted. The meeting was informed that comments received prior to validation of planning applications are not taken into consideration by the Planning Authority. Mrs Rocks agreed to contact the Planning Department to verify.</p> <p><i>The meeting closed</i></p> <p>The Chair invited comments from members of the public. Mr Riley commented that he felt the document was too long, with too much detail and would therefore undermine the impact on the target audience. He appreciated that residents need to understand outline and detailed planning applications and suggested this could be displayed on the website. Mrs Frohmader was of the view that affordable housing was allocated on individual needs and therefore, these applicants would take precedence over people with local connections. Mr Brixey and Ms Chapman reported on their meeting with MSDC Housing Managers who had confirmed that allocation of affordable housing on the first let is to people with local connections.</p> <p>Claire Knight stated that there was already 80 affordable houses in the village. However, this was contested by Mr Monk.</p> <p><i>The meeting opened</i></p> <p>Mr Clement reported that reading through the outline planning application he felt that this supported affordable housing. It was agreed that clarification was required from MSDC on affordable housing allocation.</p> <p><i>The meeting closed</i></p> <p>Sue Karle asked when residents had been consulted with regard to the scale of growth identified in the Rural Issues Background Paper? Ms Chapman replied that the Housing Needs Survey undertaken in 2007 by Action in Rural Sussex and MSDC identified 18 families in need, of which 11 lived in the Parish. Plus, there was an Open Forum on the subject.</p> <p>Hilary Smith asked how residents would be notified of the Standgrove Field planning application once validated? In response, Councillors confirmed that a notice would be displayed on the Parish Noticeboard and website.</p> <p><i>The meeting opened</i></p> <p>Timescales were discussed and agreed. Distribution; Friday, 17 November – Sunday, 19 November Collection of responses; 28 November Evaluation; 29 November Decision; 6 December at Parish Council meeting.</p>	<p>FR</p> <p>FR</p>
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